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Plague report from Mazatlan.

[Telegram.]

Consul Kaiser reports as follows:

MAZATLAN, MEXICO, *March 6, 1903.*

Died 4, new cases 3, suspicious 5. Situation improving fast.

KAISER, *Consul.*

The SECRETARY OF STATE.

Plague at Oso.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Grubbs reports from Guaymas, March 1, as follows: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of Bureau telegram as follows: "Consul Kaiser wires State Department from Mazatlan as follows: '18th to 25th died six cases plague; new cases, 22.' Francis in City of Mexico wires five cases plague at Oso, near Quila; also informs suspicious disease at Torreon and goes there to-day."

To this I have sent the following reply: "Telegram received. But one case Oso, Sinoloa, according to official bulletin from Mazatlan. If you do not get these daily direct, can wire brief of same from here one day late."

The reports mentioned are given out officially each day from Mazatlan.

The case at Oso was reported some two weeks ago. Since then the place—a few houses only—was burned and no other cases have occurred.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

Mortality Statistics of Vera Cruz.

Consul Canada forwards the following, under date of February 21, 1903:

Statistical report showing the principal causes of mortality for the city, county, and State of Vera Cruz, Mexico, from July 1, 1901, to December 31, 1902.

Diseases.	July, 1901.	Aug., 1901.	Sept., 1901.	For 3 months.
Yellow fever.....	6	7	5	18
Pernicious fever.....	26	30	48	104
Remittent fever.....	15	24	26	65
Tuberculosis.....	42	45	32	119
Tetanus.....	12	12	22	46
Malarial cachexia.....	7	6	11	24
Arrest of development.....	7	6	11	24
Infantile eclampsia.....	6	15	5	26
Menigitis.....	10	9	8	27
Organic lesion of the heart.....	7	10	6	23
Pneumonia.....	12	7	4	23
Gastro-enteritis.....	12	18	15	45
Entero-colitis.....	21	19	14	54
Dysentery.....	15	18	16	49
Stillbirths.....	19	14	14	47
All other causes.....	78	77	76	231
Total.....	295	317	313	925